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In re: Patent Application of
Darwin J. Prockop *et al.*

: Group Art Unit: 1632

Appln. No.: 09/028,395

: Examiner: Richard Schnizer, Ph.D.

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For: ISOLATED STROMAL CELLS FOR USE : No. 9598-32US
IN THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES OF : (53844-5002-00)
THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM : AUHS-318

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a Three-month extension of time to and including May 28, 2002, for responding to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2001 (Paper No. 24). A response to the Office Action and a Notice of Appeal accompany this Petition.

[] A check in the amount of \$____.00 is enclosed herewith.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (Billing No. 53844-5002-00) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.

[X] Extension fee in the amount of \$460.00.

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Respectfully submitted,

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